# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

# FISCAL NOTE



SB 2167 - HB 2286

March 5, 2014

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits a victim of domestic abuse from posting bail or signing a bond as surety for the appearance of the person who is charged with the act of domestic violence against the victim.

Defines "domestic violence" for purposes of the prohibition to include stalking; aggravated stalking; especially aggravated stalking; any offense under Title 39, Chapter 13 in which the alleged victim is a domestic abuse victim, a sexual assault victim, or a stalking victim; or a violation of an order of protection authorized for domestic abuse.

# **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### NOT SIGNIFICANT

### Assumptions:

- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, the proposed legislation will not significantly impact the courts.
- According to the County Technical Assistance Service, the proposed legislation could increase local incarceration costs, as an offender may stay in local custody longer because the victim cannot post bail. It is assumed that any increase will not be significant.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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